

PUNCH BOWL MARATHON 1978

This year's Punchbowl had a splendid day but the hot sun was a little too much for some participants. The course is a beautiful one, but fairly tough in its demands, both in endurance and route finding. One of the runners on the 12 noon start found himself back in Witley after an hour having gone wrong at the very beginning. The starters were down in numbers at 88 with few of our old faithfuls, though Martyn Greaves was present only a week after the Cleveland 100. Will he ever wear out? The WRAC and RAF had members taking part, but regretfully they retired between the last checkpoint and the finish.

Jeff Ellingham organised the event and took entries, but started his holiday the day before the event. Keith Chesterton, Ralph Henley and Alan Blatchford jointly looked after the event during the day with very welcome help from Mrs. Valerie Challenger and her daughters, Katherine and Christine, and Jill and Alexander Chesterton. One good feature of the event is the sports ground at Witley with early finishers being able to watch the cricket and look for later finishers at the same time.

FINISHERS

1.	Robert Knutzen (runner)	6.51	41.	David Cartwright	9.02
2.	Alan Ireland	7.04		Nigel Brown	9.02
	Alan Palmer	7.04	43.	Mark Chapman	9.05
4.	John Robinson	7.10		Keith Hewitt	9.05
5.	Robin Smith	7.14		Jim Gillard	9.05
	Brian Tims	7.14	46.	Brian Coombs	9.06
7.	Martyn Greaves	7.22	47.	Richard Manson	9.08
	Stephen Alden	7.22	48.	Martin Prost	9.10
	Mervyn Harvey	7.22		Mike Brown	9.10
	Mark Pickard	7.22	50.	Harold Mitchell	9.36
11.	Mike Parks	7.23		Robert Gates	9.36
12.	Paul Tyman (runner)	7.40		Joan Deeks	9.36
13.	Gerald Barham	8.01		Peter Shelton	9.36
14.	John Westcott	8.09		Dennis Alder	9.36
15.	Thomas Hall	8.06		Geoff Beech	9.36
16.	Barrie Deeks	8.08	56.	David Franklin	9.37
17.	Mike Miller	8.09		Brian Bickle	9.37
18.	Dave Challenger	8.13	58.	Harold Gray	9.47
	David Bingley	8.13	59.	Phyl Jackson	10.15
20.	Roger Tyler	8.20			
21.	Marcos Guillen	8.28			
22.	Richard Sherlock	8.31			
23.	Mark Biffey	8.35			
24.	Bryan Alden	8.37			
	Mark Hooking	8.37			
26.	Alan Novelle	8.39			
27.	Mike Topp	8.43			
28.	Andrew Gooding	8.44			
	Simon Gooding	8.44			
30.	Tony Palmer	8.46			
	G.H. Clarke	8.46			
32.	Richard Compton	8.52			
	Geoff Dumper	8.52			
	Geoff Moore	8.52			
35.	Graham Roberts	8.59			
	Simon Holroyd	8.59			
	Alan Waters	8.59			
38.	Richard Finney	9.01			
	Peter Biffey	9.01			
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Retired:

Stephen Lewis, Julie Richardson, Robin Bugden, Tony Noom, Dave Bovington, Steve Burns, Graham Knight, Suzanne Deeks, Bob Lockhart, Chris Wernham, Robert Hewitt, Peter Baxter, Roy Aitken, Justin Cook, Tim Mitchell, Gary Walton, David Gibson, Tony Haysom, Vic Lambarth, Mike Carter, Pete McCafferty.

DON'T FORGET

Tanners Marathon, July 2nd, 30 miles, at 9.00 a.m. from Leatherhead football ground. Also 50 mile and 10 mile challenges. Entry forms from:

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